





## LOCAL AND GENERAL

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL  
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REDTAP)

OUTWARD BOUND:—Romney, Dec. 8th  
Manila, Bullmouth, Mogad, Ceres, Jena  
Meinich Rignus Mary 15th 16th

Prima, Sarpodon, Adour, 18th; Oanyia  
Vindobona, Telus, 22nd; Oopac, 26th  
Benoist, Caledonia, Canton, Kiskadee  
Normanville, Glenartney, Cowrie, 28th  
Japan, Kriemhild, Nestor, Anlenor  
Maria Rickmers, Obi, Patroclus, Sikh  
Jan. 5th; Oceanica, 6th; Benvenue  
Java, Pingsuey, Tempjar, 8th.

**HOMEWARD BOUND :—**Helen Rickmers, Dec  
1st; Caydon, 2nd; Glenshiel, Hertha, 4th  
Menelaos, Oceanica, 8th; Dorothea Rick  
mers, Port Philip, 11th; Tracer, 23rd

*Gerda, Bennoirlich, 28th; Ernest Simons, Jan. 5th; Sachsen, 6th; Claverhill, 8th Aden, 12th.*

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*Mails.*  
 The P. M. s. s. *China*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, of 19th Dec., left Yokohama on Friday, the 8th Jan., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 16th Jan.  
 The O. & O. s. s. *Belgic*, with mails &c.

The *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 5th Jan., for Hongkong.

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*Steamers Expected.*

The *s. s. Saitang*, from Calcutta and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the evening of Jan. 11th, at 6 o'clock.

The Austrian Lloyd's *s. s. Mediana* left Singapore for this port on the evening of Jan. 11th, at 6 o'clock.

The s. s. *Altmore*, from Portland, Or., and Victoria, B.C., left Yokohama for Hongkong on the 12th Jan.

Amisabumi Luter, left Nagasaki for this port early on the morning of Jan. 13, and is expected to arrive here tomorrow.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Oopick*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 26th Dec., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 14th January, 1897.

The Navigazione Gen. Ital. s. s. *Diagnò* left Bombay on the 8th

The N. P. S. Co.'s s. s. *Bratmar* leaves  
Tacoma for this port via ports of call

on the 1st of January.  
The P. & O. s. s. Brindisi left Bombay  
for this port on the 3rd Jan.

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*Latest Advice.*

The N. P. S. Co.'s s. s. *Tacoma*, arrived at Tacoma on the 13th Inst., and the s. s. *Macduff* arrived at Yokohama on the same date (12th).  
The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Vancouver on the morning of the 14th.

The N. Y. K. s. s. *Idzumi Maru*, from Bombay, left Shimonoeki for the port on the afternoon of 13th Jan and is expected to arrive here on the 16th Jan.

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It is expected the new Shah of Persia will visit Europe this spring.

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M<sup>r</sup> Baillard, the Acting Manager in China for the Joint Telegraph Commission, informs

JOHNS, the second wicket-keeper of the Australian Eleven, is a humorist. It will be remembered that he played in very few matches during the tour. At the luncheon

accorded the team on their return to Melbourne, he said that although he had not played as often as some of his comrades he felt he had been of use in making the

The Cup-tie between the Hongkong Co.

and the R.A. will take place to-morrow afternoon; kick off at 4.15. Referee: M. D. Wood. Odds: R. F. Lammert (goal); A. Stopani, N. Goodridge (backs); M. G. de Carvalho, N. A. Gonsalves, E. Kew (halves); C. Blake, H. A. Seton, B. Henderson (forwards). Referee: M. D. Wood.

THE fire on board the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s steamer *Fan Sang* was

practically got under late yesterday afternoon. The hatches were opened early the afternoon, and the fire was discovered to be still smouldering. The hatches were

therefore closed down again, and the precautionary measures continued under

direction of Captain Superintendent Mr. The floating fire engine lay alongside during the night. About eleven o'clock the forenoon the vessel steamed to East Point where the damaged cargo was discharged.

The return match between the Cricket Club and the Navy will be played on Friday and Saturday. Play commences at 2 p.m. Friday, and will be resumed at 11 a.m.

Saturday. The Club team will be follows.—R. W. Mounsey, E. Mast, D. H. J. W. R. B. C. B. E. B.

D. Wood, W. R. A., Rev. G. R. Vainin, C. Gordon, W. Y. R., T. M. Howie, W. Y. R., T. S. Smith, P. W. Cobbold, Mackenzie, Sur-Major Johnston, and Captain Dyson, A. F. D. By the courtesy Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, Capt. Leg and the officers of the *Cerberus*, the band of the flagship will play upon the ground on Saturday afternoon.

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